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By: **Delegate Conroy**  
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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Hotels - Use of Safe or Other Secure Depository - Fees**

3 FOR the purpose of prohibiting a hotel from charging a certain fee to a guest for the  
4 use of a safe or other secure depository for valuables under certain  
5 circumstances; and generally relating to a fee charged to a guest for the use of a  
6 safe or other secure depository for valuables.

7 BY adding to  
8 Article - Business Regulation  
9 Section 15-103.1  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1998 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article - Business Regulation**

15 15-103.1.

16 A HOTEL MAY NOT CHARGE A FEE TO A GUEST FOR THE USE OF A SAFE OR  
17 OTHER SECURE DEPOSITORY FOR VALUABLES IF THE GUEST DOES NOT USE THE  
18 SAFE OR SECURE DEPOSITORY.

19 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
20 October 1, 2004.